

actuarial rate for enrollees age 65 and over for—

“(A) 2022 shall be determined to be an amount that does not significantly exceed the monthly actuarial rate for enrollees age 65 and over for 2021 increased the percentage by which benefit amounts under title II are increased for 2022; and

“(B) 2023 shall be determined to be an amount that does not significantly exceed the monthly actuarial rate for enrollees age 65 and over for 2022 (as determined under subparagraph (A)) increased the percentage by which benefit amounts under title II are increased for 2023.”.

(c) TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTION.—Section 1844 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the following new sentence: “In applying paragraph (1), the amounts transferred under subsection (g)(1) with respect to enrollees described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of such subsection shall be treated as premiums payable and deposited in the Trust Fund under subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, of paragraph (1).”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(g)(1) For 2022 and 2023, there shall be transferred from the General Fund to the Trust Fund an amount, as estimated by the Chief Actuary of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, equal to the reduction in aggregate premiums payable under this part for a month in such year (excluding any changes in amounts collected under section 1839(i)) that are attributable to the application of section 1839(a)(8) with respect to—

“(A) enrollees age 65 and over; and

“(B) enrollees under age 65.

Such amounts shall be transferred from time to time as appropriate.

“(2) Premium increases affected under section 1839(a)(6) shall not be taken into account in applying subsection (a).

“(3) There shall be transferred from the Trust Fund to the General Fund of the Treasury amounts equivalent to the additional premiums payable as a result of the application of section 1839(a)(6), excluding the aggregate payments attributable to the application of section 1839(i)(3)(A)(ii)(II).”.

SA 4877. Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. DAINES, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. COTTON, Mr. MORAN, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. ERNST, and Mr. RUBIO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 610, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 8.

SA 4878. Mr. HAWLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 610, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 8.

SA 4879. Mr. SCHUMER (for Mr. OSSOFF (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2796, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide for the eligibility of

rural community response pilot programs for funding under the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Grant Program, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Rural Opioid Abuse Prevention Act”.

SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY OF RURAL COMMUNITY RESPONSE PILOT PROGRAMS FOR FUNDING UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID ABUSE GRANT PROGRAM.

Section 3021 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10701) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1)—

(A) in subparagraph (F), by striking “and”;

(B) in subparagraph (G), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(H) a pilot program for rural areas to implement community response programs that focus on reducing opioid overdose deaths, which may include presenting alternatives to incarceration, as described in subsection (f).”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(f) RURAL PILOT PROGRAM.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The pilot program described under this subsection shall make grants to rural areas to implement community response programs to reduce opioid overdose deaths. Grants issued under this subsection shall be jointly operated by units of local government, in collaboration with public safety and public health agencies or public safety, public health and behavioral health collaborations. A community response program under this subsection shall identify gaps in community prevention, treatment, and recovery services for individuals who encounter the criminal justice system and shall establish treatment protocols to address identified shortcomings. The Attorney General, through the Office of Justice Programs, shall increase the amount provided as a grant under this section for a pilot program by no more than five percent for each of the two years following certification by the Attorney General of the submission of data by the rural area on the prescribing of schedules II, III, and IV controlled substances to a prescription drug monitoring program, or any other centralized database administered by an authorized State agency, which includes tracking the dispensation of such substances, and providing for interoperability and data sharing with each other such program (including an electronic health records system) in each other State, and with any interstate entity that shares information between such programs.

“(2) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to—

“(A) direct or encourage a State to use a specific interstate data sharing program; or

“(B) limit or prohibit the discretion of a prescription drug monitoring program for interoperability connections to other programs (including electronic health records systems, hospital systems, pharmacy dispensing systems, or health information exchanges).”.

SA 4880. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, and for other purposes; as follows:

SEC. ____ EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 1 day after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 4881. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4880 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “1 day” and insert “2 days”.

SA 4882. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end add the following:

SEC. ____ EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 5 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 4883. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4882 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “5 days” and insert “4 days”.

SA 4884. Mr. SCHUMER proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4883 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the amendment SA 4882 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 1, line 3, strike “4 days” and insert “3 days”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I have 8 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, December 8, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on a nomination.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, December 8, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, December 8, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.